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IN RE APPLICATION OF

BARDO SCHMITT, ET AL.

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EXAMINER: PAUL ZUCKER

SERIAL NO: 10/068,849

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1621

FOR: PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING :
UNSATURATED CARBOXYLIC ACID
ANHYDRIDES

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.181 to invoke supervisory authority to make the application available to the Examiner for formal acknowledgement of three crossed-out documents on the information disclosure statement filed June 13, 2002.

These documents were crossed-out and "no translation" was indicated next to each citation. 37 C.F.R. 1.98(C)(i) indicates that a "concise explanation of the relevance" of documents not in the English language be provided. The Applicants have provided a concise explanation of each of these documents in the specification, and the pertinent portions of the specification are indicated in the Statement of Relevancy that was attached to the Information Disclosure Statement.

Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner provide written acknowledgement that each of these three documents has been considered. For the

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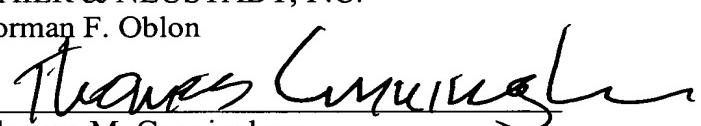
convenience of the Examiner a copy of the previously-filed Information Disclosure Statement, Statement of Relevancy and the date-stamped filing receipt is attached to this petition.

Applicants do not believe that any petition fee is due. However, in the event any variance exists between the required petition fees and this amount, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030.

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.181; Copy of Date-stamped Filing Receipt, Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and Statement of Relevancy filed June 13, 2002

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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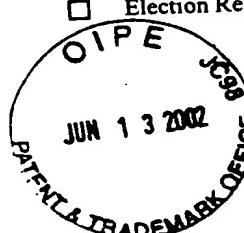
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together with a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
- A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

CERTIFICATION

- Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

- Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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AP	DE 35 10 035	9/25/86	GERMANY		✓
AQ	DE 35 44 765	6/19/87	GERMANY (w/English Abstract; corresponds to US 4 781 868)		✓
AR	FR 2 592 040	6/26/87	FRANCE		✓
AS	DE 36 44 222	7/30/87	GERMANY		✓
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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)					
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

The references cited on the attached Form PTO-1449:

Reference AO (SU 228016):

This reference is discussed on page 2, line 3 of the specification.

Reference AP (DE 35 10 035):

This reference is discussed on page 1, line 11 and page 2, line 9 of the specification.

Reference AQ (DE 35 44 765):

This reference is discussed on page 2, line 5 of the specification.

Reference AR (FR 2 592 040):

This reference is discussed on page 1, line 19 and page 2, line 10 of the specification.

Reference AS (DE 36 44 222):

This reference is discussed on page 2, line 12 and page 4, line 9 of the specification.